(b) and (c) As per the provision of DPCO, 1987 the manufacturers are free to revise the prices of non-scheduled drugs. However Government is keeping a watch on the prices of these drug. Wherever price increases was not justified, the cencerned companies were asked to reduce the prices. The details, to the extent of information available are given in reply Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1359 part (b) to (g) for 9-5-1988.

(d) and (e) As per the provisions of DPCO, 1987, Ministry has power to bring any price decontrolled drug under price control.

Consideration of bulk drugs by Kelkar Committee

1450. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are around 525 bulk drugs being used in the country and out of which 350 were under price control under DPCO, 1979;

(b) what are the names of those bulk drugs which were considered by the Kelkar Committee;

(c) whether it is a fact that a number of representations have been made to Kelkar Committee for consideration of all the bulk drugs used in the country; and

(d) if so, what are the details of such representations and action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Out of a large number of bulk drugs being used in the country, about 350 were under price control under DPCO, 1979.

(b) The Kelkar Committee considered the latest WHO's Model list of essential drugs and another 166 drugs on the basis of their uses in the country. Details are contained in the report of the Kelkar Committee copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(c) and (d) Details of representations received from the Industry|Organisations|Associations and Members of Parliament regarding inclusion in/exclusion from the price controlled categories of drugs are given in the enclosed Statements I, II and III respectively. (*See* below) The representations have been forwarded to the Kelkar Committee. The report of the committee has not been received.

Statement-I

List of Companies from whom representations were received by Kelkar Committee.

S. No.	Name of the Company	Drug in respect of which the company has represented
1	2	3
1.	M/s. Themis Chemicals Ltd.	Cyprocheptadine Hcl.
2.	Dupher Interfran Ltd.	Paracetamol
3.	M/s. IPCA Ltd.	Metroclopramide
4.	M/s. CIPLA Ltd.	Piroxical and Salbutamol
5.	M/s. Wockhardt Ltd.	Dextropropoxyphene
6.	M/s. May & Baker India Ltd.	Prochlorperazine & Metronidazole
7.	M/s. FDC Pvt. Ltd.	Oral Rehydration Salts.

1	2	3
8.	M/s. Walter Bushnel P. Ltd.	Interpretation of para 7 of DPCO, 1987.
9.	M/s. Burroughs Welcome (I) Ltd.	Paracetamol and Pseudo Uphedrine
10.	M/s. Farmsol Pharmaceuticls Gujarat (P) Ltd.	Paracetamol
11.	M/s. Cadila Labs. P. Ltd.	Timolol
12.	M/s. Nicholas Labs. I. Ltd.	Sulphacatemide
13.	M/s. East India Pharmaceuticals Works Ltd.	Sulphacotamide
14.	M/s. Unique Chemicals	Metronidazole
15.	M/s. SKF Ltd.	Trifluope azine
16.	M/s. Lupin Labs.	Rifampicin
17.	M/s. Ranbaxy Labs.	Diazepam, Ampicillin and Renitidine
18.	M/s. Marind	Amiloride & Amitriptyline
19.	Ms. Atul Products Ltd.	Iodechlorohydroxyquinolene
20.	M/s. Searle (I) Ltd.	Diphenoxylate Hcl.
21.	M/s. Alembic Chemicals Works Ltd.	Erythromycin
22.	M/s. Master Pharmaceuticals	Paracetamol
23.	M/s. Neuland Laboratories Ltd.	Salbutamol
24.	M/s. Hoechst	Glybenclamide
25.	M/s. Pefco Industries Ltd.	Theophylline Anhydrous, Coffeine Anhydrous, Aminophylline, Hydroxy Ethye Theophylline Salbutamol Sulphate and Mebandazone.
26.	M/s. German Remedies Ltd.	Hydroxy Progestenone Caproate (HPC)

Statement—II

List of organisations/Association from whom representations were received by Kelkar Committee

S. No.	Name of the Organisations	Representation regarding
1.	Indian Medical Association	The Organisations have made general Comments on the exclusion criteria adopted by the Kelkar Committee and the Categorisation of drugs.
2.	Voluntary Health Association of India	
3.	Indian Drugs Manufacturers' Association	
4.	Organisation of Pharmaceuticals Producers of India	
5.	TARAI Farmers Association	These Organisations have represented that Menthel should be excluded from price control.
6.	All India Monthe Industry (Small Scale) Association.	

Statement—III

List of Members of Parliament who representea to Kelkar Commi tee

S. No.	Name of the Member of Parliament	Representation & regarding
1.	Shri Raffque Alam	
2.	Shri Hari Krishna Shashtri	
3.	Shri Harish Rawat	
4.	Dr. Chandra Shekhar Tripathi	
5.	Shri Raj Kumar Rai	
6.	Shri Rajni Ranjan Sahu	
7.	Shri Sarfraz Ahmed	
8.	Shri Tariq Anwar	
9.	Shri Ganga Ram	
10.	Shri Banwari Lal Purohit	
11	Dr. Prabhat Kumar Mishra	General Comments on the exclusion principle adopted by the Kelkar Committee and categorisation of drugs and comments on drugs like Diazapam, Paracetamol Vitamines, Manthol etc.
12.	Ms. Pushpa Devi Singh	
13.	Shri Kesharao Pardhi	
14.	Shri Ajay Mushran	
15.	Shri Bhola Raut	
16.	Shri Ram Pyare Ranika	
17.	Shri Bharat Singh	
18.	Shri Balwant Singh Ramoowalia	
19.	Shri Shanker Singh Vaghela	
20.	Shri Uday Singhrao Gaikwad	
21.	Shri P.R. Kumarmangalam	
22.	Dr. (Smt.) Sarojini Mahishi	
23.	Shri Chandra Sekhar Murthy	
24.	Shri Asutosh Law	
25.	Shri Uttam Rathod	
26.	Shri Santosh Kumar Singh	

New polymer lens

1451. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a new eye polymer lens, as reported in the Financial Express of 27th January, 1988, has been developed by Soviet Scientists if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether similar technology has been developed/imported in India and if so, what are the details thereof; and